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WHERE SHALL OUR ANNEXA-TIONS END?

From the beginning of agitation towards that end The Times has stendily opposed the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands. To annex them is to depart entirely from that theory of government under which we have lived for more than a hundred years and prospered as no people ever prospered before. The Times frankly admits its fear of what will happen if we abandon our old time notion that the United States are big enough for us and enter upon a career of world aggrandizement, Mr. Champ Clarke, of Missouri, was very felicitous and argumentative also when he said last week that it this policy is entered upon we may soon see in Congress representatives from Fiji, Terra del Fuego, and also from the Cannibal isles, who would address themselves to the present occupant of the chair with gleaming teeth and longing glances as they surveyed his rotund and enticing form, We cannot retain a republican form of government without admitting each section of the world that we annex to full and equal representation in our Congress and in all departments of our government. And when we begin that it seems almost certain to us that we shall begin to descend from that lofty plane that a homogeneous population of Anglo-Saxon descent and with Anglo-Saxon traditions has kept us on. We look, with the utmost alarm, upon the prospect which tions opens to us, and yet we are bound to admit that the annexa tion of Hawali seems now a foregone conclusion. We have no doubt that the opponents of Hawaiian annexation would have been able to defeat the project if this miserable war had not been forced upon us. But the war almost compelled us to seize the Philippine Islands, and, with a fixed interest there the islands of Hawall seemed almost a necessity as a coaling station. Events, therefore, have driven us along to this result which we

It is time the American people were considering this question most carefully in order that something like a definite and fixed policy may be arrived at by the people in the aggregate.

look for very soon now, and the practi-

cal question for us now is what are we

going to do in regard to the other ac-

quisitions that we will be pressed to

We don't want the Philippine Islands. It is true they are said to be an undeveloped mine of wealth, but we need not povet everything in the world that is a good thing. The British Klondike is said to be enormously valuable and so are the gold mines of the Witwatersrand in Africa. But we can have all the prosperity that we ought to have without either, and we are not going to be made miserable even if both places remain subject to English dominion for all time.

But valuable as they may become the suitable to us. They are said to have a population close upon a million of souls, the overwhelming majority of which are little better than half-tamed savages. What are we to do with these people if we annex the islands? Are we to admit the islands as States of the Union with full representation in the Senate and House of Representatives and with a full and equal voice in our electoral college? Every instinct of the citizen of the United States revolts at the suggestion, Befere our eyes is the horrible political demoralization which the negro vote causes in the Southern States. The Philippine islanders is not nearly so well fitted for the suffrage as the Southern negro. What an age of ballot-box stuffing and political degradation of every kind would we see then if the islanders were made citizens of the United States!

DEFEAT OF THE MERIT SYSTEM

The defeat of Mr. C. V. Meredith for city attorney before the Democratic cauof partisan politics over the merit sys-

In saying this we do not reflect upon the abilities of the other candidates, but Mr. Meredith has for so long a time been attorney to the city that he is perfectly familiar with the history and status of
the city's legal affairs, and by reason of
that experience is better qualified than
sup other lawyer to fill the position.

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dith's ability and peculiar fitness for the position, and if the members of the City Council had been sitting together as directors of a business corporation, they would never have thought of dismissing Mr. Meredith from the service of the company which they represented.

But it so happens that Mr. Meredith is not in accord with the financial policy of the Democratic party as at present or ganized, and having in the Presidential election of 1896 refused to support the party in a policy which he believed would be detrimental, if not rulnous to the best interests of his country, the party men in Richmond determined to make an example of him, and he was slaughtered in the interest of party discipline.

We regret that this thing has occurred. It would have given us great pleasure to be able to say that the members of the City Council in dealing with a matter of this character had consulted the best interests of the city and had voted for the man who was best qualified to serve the city, regardless of his peculiar views on questions of national finance. That would have been a triumph of the merit system and the merit system should always obtain in the conduct of the city's

fiscal affairs. But the party lash was cracked and the men fell into line at the sound of the whip. It shows that the party leaders in Richmond do not differ from the national leaders. It shows that they are all determined that free silver shall be made the test of Democracy throughout all the ramifications of politics, and that the man who does not subscribe to that doctrine cannot hold office in the Democratic party.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

The Farmers' Advocate, a free silver newspaper, published at Charlestown, W. Va., says that the Republicans carried the elections in Oregon, but that "there is little significance in that."

It would have been more to the point had our contemporary told its readers that this was a fight between the Republicans on the one hand, who came out flat-footed for the gold standard, and the allied sliver forces on the other, Demo crats, Populists and Silver Republicans who came out flat-footed for free coin age, and that the silver forces were routed at almost every point, the State going Republican by a large majority, the party electing both members of Congress from that State, and a Logislature that wil elect a Republican senator to succee Senator Mitchell.

Yet the Farmers' Advocate declare that "there is no significance in that. The free silver people seem determine to shut their eyes to the warnings that they have had and to go with their poltcy in spite of them.

Another significant item in this connection, which we mentioned the other day, is that Tammany, which has pretended to be for free silver, has decided that all bonds issued by the city of New York shall be payable, principal and interest, "in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard, weight and fineness."

It is also significant that Representa tive Martin U. Johnson, of North Da kota, who is accorded to be the most prominent representative of his party in the House from the northwest, says that his State can be relied upon to send a sound money man to Congress for the next ten years. The farmers, he adds, are delighted with the splendid price that they have received for their products, there are unprecedented signs of prosperity all over the northwest, and the people are not going to take the

risk of the free silver experiment. We mention also what is to us a significant fact that the Washington Post de clares that an endorsement of 16 to 1 New York Democratic Conve would insure the triumph of the Repub licans in that State, for the hostility of New York to that policy has not abated "In view of the result in Oregon last week," adds the Post, "and of the success of Tammany's recent issue of gold bonds, the fidelity of the Democratic creed is not in high favor with the New York contingent of the National Democratic

The Post is a pretty good political prognosticator. The difference between the Post and the advocates of free sil ver is that the latter do not regard the signs of the times when they see them The cause of sound money was never so strong as it is to-day, and it is growing in strength all the time. It is impossible for any party to win

on any other platform.

CONFEDERATE PATRIOTS.

In a month from now the Confederate Veterans of the South will hold their annual reunion in the city of Atlanta. They will rally around the Stars and Bars, and sing of the Confederacy and the great deeds of the Southern heroes, and some idiotic people at the North will declare that the South is still in rebellion, and that these reunions are held in a spirit of treason to the government.

But these silly people are now few in number, and their numbers have materially decreased since the war with Spain began. The Northern people are beginning to understand that the devotion which these veterans show to the Southern cause is that which makes them most desirable as citizens, is that which makes them so sturdy and reliable in a crisis like that through which the country is

The Southern men possess to-day the same dash and during and devotion to principle that they exhibited in 1861 and all that is best in them as truly belongs to the national government to-day as it belonged to the Southern Confederacy in days past. Fitz Lee and Joe Wheeler who now lead their men under the Stars and Stripes have not changed one whit since they ted the boys in gray. They are better soldiers and better men because of their service to the Southern Confederacy. What possible respect could the Northern people have for their brethren in the South if they should now after all these years repudiate the cause for which they fought and refuse to pay tri-

bute to their dead heroes? No. no, the reunion of the Confederate ous of the City Council was a triumph Veterans in Atlanta next month will not impair the loyalty of the South. On the contrary it will do more than anything else that could happen in the South to awaken every dormant patriòtic sentiment and to enthuse those who have gone to the front. It comes most oppor-

There was no question as to Mr. Mere- stormed the works to-night and captured the Hancock fleet now in this harbor. He will permanently occupy the harbor after July 1st, having established cable connection with the Windy Point Club.

Spain is receiving some crushing defeats at the hands of the dehating societies.

All the wind seems to have been knocked out of those war balloon theories.

It is too bad that Jefferson cannot write a letter of thanks to Hon. Joe Balley for his entire approval of the dead Virginian

The way they don't hit might suggest the presence of a few Spanish gunners on the total ball club.

During the very warm weather Cervera's fleef is not going out much.

Senor Maret says "the Spanish ship of State is drifting." All her others though are apparently firmly anchored.

Everybody will get good service now that Colonel McCluer has established a connection with the telephone company.

"Some big guns," the dispatches say, "are to be planted at Boston." Alas, most of the big guns of Massachusettes have been put underground some years

The acceptance by Peffer of the Prohibition nomination looks as if he was in earnest when he said sometime ago that he had retired from political life.

Blanco is urging Madrld to send food. Sending congratulations does not fill the 'long felt want." The friends of Mr. Mcredith evidently

had had luck in not bunching their hits. The news from Mr. Bloomberg had comething of the characteristics of a

Madrid date line. The Wendenburg collier was sunk in the channel of the Meredith fleet.

Martin Thorn, who is awaiting electrocution in Sing Sing, is busy studying Spanish. He probably expects to find a good many of them where he is going.

Kentucky distillers are to send 50,000 bottles of whiskey to the soldiers. Those snake stories from Jacksonville will doubtless continue to come.

War Song of the Hobos.

We have lots of gallant soldiers among our sturdy Yanks. And our gunners on the ocean are full of daring pranks.
But there's one famous regiment a missing from the ranks—

Where, in the name of Snakes, is Coxey's army?

There are Sampson, Schley and Miles and modest Daddy Shafter, Bosses Blanco and Cervera—'tis them

But you can bet your old socks there's little cause for laughter If no one's at the front from Coxey's

Gen'ral Lee and his followers are doubtless brave enough.

And we all know that Colonel "Teddy" is mighty hot stuff; Yet, what is the use of tryin' to throw a

With not a single man from Coxey's army?

When our soldiers get fightin' they'll take very little sass.

And, if we're not mistaken, they'll be

dangerous men to pass;
But 'fore they reach Havana they'll be
walkin' on the grass,
Unless they have a guide from Coxey's

Makin' shoestrings of the Spaniards is Though the way to do some other things they'll find's not so clear.

What bidke in all the regiments could sack a keg of beer

Who never knew the ropes in Coxey's

And the enemy is obdurate, who in the dickens Among Uncle Sam's forces could steal a

flock of chickens And eat them, bones and all, like Coxey's

Should our bullets go astray in the mid-dle of the fun. And our shells miss their target when the

fight is not yet won.

Would anything in Christendom set the
Spaniards on the run
Like a half a minute's gaze at Coxey's

But after all is said and done, what's the use of cryin'.

Not all the gods have stayed at home—they've got Billy Bryan—

Yet while he'll do his bravest to keep the

There's nothin' in the field like Coxey's

-New York Sun.

The Rate.

"But doctors have reduced the death rate, don't you think?"
"In the sense that it costs one less to "In the sense that it costs one less to die than it used, yes."-Dertoit Journal. Horrors,

First Pioneer—Ain't it awful the way them Cubans has been treated? Second Pioneer—Awful is no name for it, Wy I wouldn't reat a lot of injuns any worse than that—Cincinnati En-

Real Hero.

"Speaking of heroes, what's the matter with Brown?" "Give it up. What has he done?"
"He has agreed to look after the front lawns of three people in his block who have gone to the war."—Chicago Post.

Proper Allowances. "Look here," said the young lieutenant of a great father, "this uniform you have made for me is entirely too large,"
"That's all right," explained the tailor;
"when you get it on you'll feel so big that it will be a perfect fit."-North

Waiting Maiden.

When Johnny comes marching home agnin
We'll give him a rousing cheer,
And I hope it won't be long till then,
For things are lonesome here.

When Johnny comes marching home, When Johnson,
hooray!
We'll all be happy then,
And the gas bills papa has to pay
Will go bounding up again.
—Chicago News,

Female Financier.

Claude—I thought you were not going to pay more than \$50 for a wheel. Maud—I didn't mean to when I went into the store, but he said if I'd take the \$60 wheel he would let me have a dellar pump for 98 cents.—Indianapolis Journal.

After Facts.

"There is no change in the location of our ships," said the Spanish official.

'on' the Atlantic or 'in' the Atlantic "-Washington Star.

Handy Man.

Archie (in camp)—This thing of playing soldier isn't all fun. By the way, what did you bring that foreign valet of yours Reggie (late of the 400)-To pronounce the blawsted Spanish names for me.-Chicago Tribune.

His Father. He walks the streets of his little town With his head in air, and the sun looks

On the proudest man on earth-well, rather! But he has a splendid right to be

Somewhat uplifted, for, you see, He's Richmond Hobson's father. —Chicago Tribune,

Allies.

"Did you hear about France and Por-'No; is it so?" replied the cross-eyed boarder, excitedly.

"Look at the map and you will find that

they join."-Pittsburg Chronicle Tele-

AFTERMATH. Yesterday was the birthday of the Stars and Stripes. On June 11, 1777, the Con-tinental Congress passed a resolution tinental Congress passed a resolution declaring that 'the flag of the United States to be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the Union be thirteen stars in a blue field, representing the new constellation." It was at first thought to increase the number of stripes as new States were added as well as the number of Stars, but it was soon discovered that this would destroy the shapliness of the flag, and so the stripes remained as the original number while the stars increased as new States have been added.

The electric street car line of Chillico the, O., has put women conductors on all of its cars. Each woman wears a rib bon on her hat with the word "Conductor" inscribed upon it, and none but good looking women are employed.

Rowland Ward died at Nunda, N. Y. the other day, having lived for thirty cears without a chin. His chin was shot off in the civil war, and since that time he has lived on liquid food. A wife by second marriage and several grown children survive him.

Baltimore society has just had a sensa tion, Mrs. Mary H. McKim has been granted an absolute divorce from S Sterrett McKim, a prominent banker of the Monumental City. The couple were married in 1886.

White a number of soldlers were bathing at Fort McPherson the other day, Fred E. Sullivan, one of the regulars offered to stay on shore and take care of the valuables. Before the men came oue of the water Sullivan ran away with all their jeweiry and \$75 in cash. He had not been caught at last accounts.

Rev. A. C. Dixon, the evangelist, who for a month has been conducting religifor a month has been conducting religious services at Tampa, in company with General Howard and Major Whittle, has returned to his Brooklyn church, and gives an interesting account of the meetings, which were very successful, from 1,000 to 5,000 men attending each service. Yr. Dixon says that in spite of the long arought and extreme heat at Tampa the health of the soldiers has been of the best. He speaks vigorously of the evil of the introduction or the canteen into camp life.

In the platform adopted by the Kansas Prohibitionists at their State Conrention held in Emporia last week is this surprising declaration:

"We regard civil government as an or-dinance of God and recognize the Lord Jesus Christ as King of Kansas, and therefore believe that the administration of civil affairs should be in with the law and in His spirit."

GENERAL LEE'S SWORD.

Rev. Dr. Jones Says General Horace Porter is Unreliable

In reply to a statement published some time ago by General Horace Porter to the effect that General Robert E. Lee was in the habit of wearing his sword during the war, the following from Rev. Dr. John William Jones, of this city, will be read with interest:

To the Editor of the Atlanta Journal: Noticing your editorial on this question some atthe time back, and not believing the matter "disposed of" by the statement of General Hornce Porter, who has most unquestionably proven bimself to be the champion romance writer about the war and whose recollections of matters of fact is singularly unreliable, and having a very decided impression that I had seen General Lies upon numberless of callons during his carmonium, when he did cons during his campaigns when he did out wear a sword, I determined to settle the matter by an appeal to Colonel Walter I. Taylor, who served on Lee's staff com the beginning to the end of the war, and whose recollection of even the min-test detail is clear accurate and reliaest detail is clear, accurate and relia

Accordingly, I sent your editorial to olonel Taylor, and have received the

following reply:
Norfolk, Va., May 27, 1888.
Rev. J. Wm. Jones, Richmond, Va.:
My Dear Doctor,—Your letter of the
25th instant duy received.
General Lee did not habitually wear a
sword, but carried one on unusual or

sword, but earried one on unusual or State occasions. I well recall his telling me on the morning of the day of the surrender at Appoint to that he wished me to put on my sword and accompany him in his interview with General Grant. He then had on his own sword.

Yours truly, W. H. TAYLOR, W. H. TAYLOR.

The above letter does of m to me to "dispose of the question," as Colonel Taylor was intimately associated with General Lee during the whole of his Confederate career, and is perfectly reliable on all questions pertaining to General Lee's character or habits. I believe that the myth of "Grant's magnanimity in returning Lee's sword" has been finally disposed of by showing that both Lee and Grant denied it; but some of these questions are constanly coming up, and it is well to settle, if we can, even the smallest details. J. WM. JONES.

Richmond, Va., May 31, 1888.

Nominations by the President. WASHINGTON, June 14.—The President yesterday sent these nominations to the

Senate:
Mary H. S. Long, to be postmistress at Charlottesville, Va.: William W. Statham, Virginia, to be commissary of subsistence with rank of capitain; Edward Wills, South Carolina; to be assistant quartermaster with rank of capitain; Rev. Samuel F. Chapman, Virginia, to be chaplain, and Theophilus Parker, Virginia, to be major, Fourth Regiment, U. S. V. Infantry; Robert S. Thompson, South Carolina, for appointment in the volunteer signal corps. volunteer signal corps.

Governor's Dilemma.

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Governor Tyler, of Virginia, also has the negro officer problem to trouble him. He has some negro military organizations that want their negro officers retained, but the sentiment of white people in Virginia is against negro commanders of troops. Whatever happens there will be a muss. The man who tries to tell who. a muss. The man who tries to tell why a negro in America should be a pairiot has not the easiest of tasks.—Boston Tran-FOR DISEASES OF THE LIVER

MANCHESTERIANS HIGHLY HONORED.

Three of Them Made Officers in the Grand Grove of Druids.

A BARN FIRED BY LIGHTNING.

Property of H. G. Manahan, of Ches terfield, Destroyed-Young Prospectors Going to the Gold Fields Other Manchester News.

MANCHESTER BUREAU RICHMOND TIMES.

At the annual meeting of the Grand Grove of Druids of Virginia, and North Carolina, held in Wilmington, N. C., this week, the following gentlemen of this city were elected to office: Mr. J. W. Toney was made grand treasurer and Captain James A. Lipscomb, the efficient chief of police, and Mr. Ira W. Alley were elected grand grustees.

Captain Lipscomb has been the grand secretary for a number of years. His name was placed in nomination for re-election, but he positively refused to serve, as his duties were such that he did not have the time to attend to this

highest terms of their treatment by the people of Wilmington while sojourning ON PIRE FROM LIGHTNING.

The barn of Mr. H. G. Manahan, a dairy farince living on the Nine Mile Road in Chesterfield county, was struck by lightning during the storm of Sunday afternoon. The building was set on fire and about \$50 worth of feed was consumed before the blaze was extinguished. The barn was fully insured. Ellen Adel, the infant daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Roger Scott, died at their residence on Hull street, Swansboro, about

Services will be held from the house this afternoon at 5 o'clock. The inter-ment will be made in Maury cometery. ELECTION POSTPONED.

in monthly session. Those present were Captain John O'Brien in the chair, and

The routine business was transacted when the Commissioners decided to go into the election of its officers for the coming year. At this time Captain O'Brien was called away on urgent rail-roud business. The election was then postmored until next Tuesday night at 8 postponed until next Tuesday night at 8 The Ordinance Committee met last right in the Council Chamber. They

There will be a party of young gen-tlemen from this city who will leave for Alaska the latter part of the week to seek their fortunes in the gold regions of that place.

intendent of the Almshouse, which

If that place.

The party will be composed of Mesars, Beorge and John Friend and Mr. Bertard Robertson. Mr. George Friend knows he country well as he has been a resident there for a number of years. While here he met with considerable surcess and holds a good interest in a gold nine. The Mesars. Friend are sons of Dr. i. W. Friend, a practitioner of this city. Mr. Robertson is a son of Mr. B. M. Robertson, the lumber dealer. He has been a salesman with A. Saks & Co. for some time past.

These gentlemen will be accompanied as far as the State of Washington by Mas Lou Friend, who will visit friends there.

there.
The residence of Mr. R. J. Gooding. of Fourth and Lee streets, was struck by lightning during the storm of Sunday last. It did considerable damage to the front of the building and gave considerable fright to the members of the family who were inside the house.

Fortunately, no one was hurt, or even received a check.

A COMING MARRIAGE.

The marriage of Miss Katie Estelle

received a check.

A COMING MARRIAGE.

The marriage of Miss Katic Estelle Donnelly and Mr. Thomas W. Lacy will take piace to-night at nine o slock at Mende-Memorial church. Rev. Ben. Dennis, rector, will pronounce the words that will join the loving couple.

At the residence of the bride's parents, at Eleventh and Perry streets, to-night a reception will be tendered the ushers and a few special friends.

A little darkey from the county fell from a wagon in front of J. P. Robinson's store yesterday morning and was painfully hurt. When the team started off the boy was pitched out and fell to the pavement below on his head. He was knocked senseless and remained so for a time. He was afterwards taken to the office of Dr. Lawrence Ingram, who rendered the necessary medical attention.

THE MAYOR'S COURT.

Mayor Maurice had several penitents before him yesterday morning. He attended to their cases in due form.

Mrs. E. L. Archer was up for ordinance vication. She had been summoned to acceptance.

cended to their cases in due form.

Mrs. E. L. Archer was up for ordinance violation. She had been summoned to appear on several occasions, but mistook the place. She said the officer told her to come to the court-room in rear of the market-house, and she always went to the Old Market in Richmond. She was dealt with lightly.

Saunders Fletcher had Jennie Brown, both colored, arrested for throwing rocks at his house during the early hours of the morning. Jennie was taxed to the une of \$2.50.

tune of \$2.50.

Tom Williams was arrested in Richmond on complaint of the Manchester police. He was wanted for stealing chickens and the warrant has been out against him since April last. It was said he would take the chickens from owners in Manchester and take them to Richmond by way of the Petersburg bridge, where he would dispose of them. As an important witness for the Commonwealth was sick, the case was postponed until Monday next.

PERSONALS AND BRIEFS. There will be a ceting at the Catholis school-house, at Fourteenth and Perry of this city and Chesterfield are request ed to attend.

Little Charlie Sadler, of Ninth street
is visiting his grandparents, in Peters

burg.

Air. James Cook left Monday night for Roanoke, where he will spend several days.

Air. W. E. Suellings, of Norfolk, is in the city visiting his triends.

Rev. J. O. Habbook, of Danville, is in the city. His any triends in the city are always glad to welcome him in their midst.

Mr. John N. Gorman left Monday night for Greeneville, N. C.
Mr. William Brown has returned to
the city from an extended trip to the South.

The members of Bainbridge Street church Sunday School had a delightfut time of their annual pionic to Westover Monday. A number of their friends accompanied them...

THE GREENBRIER WHITE.

A Remarkably Fertile Field for Quick Engagements.

The Louisville Courier-Journal of the 8th has a letter from the Greenbrier White Sulphur Springs W. Va., in which the

Suippur Springs W. Ya., in which the following appears:

White Suiphur is becoming cosmopolitan. At first the beauty and gallantry of the South were wont to gather here. A hundred years ago and more Washington and Jefferson, and all the political and social elect of Virginia and the South made their annual pilgrimages to those parings. In later years Webster, Clay.

sense of time and place, and much else, over a "friendly" game of poker.

This place finally became the social camping ground of the East and the South, and there was a cordial mingling of the older elements of the young country. But in the past decade or two visitors from the North and West have been making White Sulphur their summer resting place, and to-day it really knows no ing place, and to-day it really knows no section-no North, no South, no East, no

It is just as necessary to-day, just as much an unwritten law of society as ever, that a fair debutante must have the judgment of a season at White Suiphur upon her, before she can expect to shine as a belle in town or country. This Rubicon once passed, her destiny is clear. The chaperoning at White Sulphur is

not a thing of the past. What scheming at man cuvring there has been upon that long "treadmill," the great corridor, or in the one hundred foot parier, or out in the many delightful nooks and walks to evade the inexorable afteen-minute rule. A fraction of a second over that rule. A fraction of a second over that time and the anxious chaperone is prying and peering, here, there and everywhere for the runaways. In the extensive grounds ranging back of the cottage rows there is a natural park threaded by "Lovers" Walks," and there is a "Courtship Maze," and a "Lovers' Rest," an "Acceptance Way to Paradise," a "Place of Hesitancy" and of "Rejection" and finally a "Lovers' Leap," In ac place of resort in the United States has the law of the chaperone been so rigidly enforced.

planation is easy, the F. F. V.s have on been going annually to any other place for over a nundred years as they have been to these springs.

Is it any wonder that the White Sulphur has been a remarkably fertile field for quick engagements, and, indeed, many of them? For how can a girl tell whether of them? For how can a girl tell whether she likes a young man or not until she has been fifteen minutes with some other fellow? It is said that three or four engagements have been made by some belles in a single season. Can you blame them? Given a day, the average girl will know whether she likes a fellow well enough to make a life contract; but lifteen minutes well polyady on earth but a horrid to make a life contract; but lifteen min-utes—well, nobody on earth but a horrid old chaperone can expect to make or pre-vent fifteen-minute engagements. But, O what fun, what romance, what joy, what sorrow, what heart-breaking for fifteen minutes have all occurred within the pur-lieus of ancient and honorable White Supher!

GERMAN SHIPS AT MANILA,

She is Sending Her East Asian Squad-

ron There.

The New York Sun's London correspondent sends his paper the following: LONDON, June 13.—The Berlin correspondent of the Telegraph says that the entire German East Asian squadron seems to be concentrating at Manila. The slips now there are the Kaiser, Kaiserin Augusta, Irene, and Comoran, with a total of 1,605 men.

It is evident that Germanny is resolved to effectively protect her interests in the Philippines, as the German firms in Manila petitiohed the government to do some time ago. ron There.

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A dispatch to the Standard from Mad-rid says that a hopeful impression has been created in political and financial circles by a rumor that there are seve-ral German warships at Manila and that they intend to make a demonstration

orable to Spain, the press affects to believe that some-ing is brewing in Germany that may advantageous to Spanish rule at Madispatch to a news agency from Shanghai says certain incidents are re-garded as significant of Germany's at-titude regarding the disposal of the

transport Darmstadt, which was

Pattippines.
The transport Dermatadt, which was bringing troops from Germany to Kiao Chou, received telegraphic instructions upon her arrival at Singapore to go to Manila, which she did. She took on board at Manila the Archbishop of that sea, and brought him here, whence he will sail for Europe.

The German flagship Kaiser and the Kaiserin Augusta left Nagasaki on June 12th with, it is reported, startling orders should the Americans bombard Manila.

Prince Henry of Prussia, who is at Kiao Chou, is kept fully informed of everything in connection with the war. The German steamer Potrarch sails tonight for Manila under secret orders. It is believed that she is dispatched by the German government.

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PARIS. June 12.—A dispatch to the
Tamps from Madrid says that negotiations are going on between Madrid, Berlin and Vienna.

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These negotiations do not aim Grectly at the conclusion of peace, but are important on account of contingencies which may arise owing to the disposition of Germany, which is hostile to the development of American intervention in the Oceanic archipelago.

The Americans are said to have already occupied the Caroline and Mavianne Islands Germany, has for a long time desired to establish a coaling station on Ponapa Island, one of the Carolines. It was this that led to the famous Hispano-German conflict in 1855.

The Cabinet, believing that the moment has not arrived to bring forward the question of peace, the negotiations entered upon are naturally interpreted by the partisans of a prolongation of the war and by the press us an indication of a rapprochement and a combination calculated to facilitate the co-operation of Europe against the United States.

SINGAPORE, June 13.—Letters dated Manila, May 20th, received by sympathizers of the Philippine insurgents, say that the prolonged conferences between Captain-General Augusti, and the German Consul have excited attention. It is surposed that Germany has designs on the Sulu Archipelago. is supposed that Gern the Sulu Archipelago,

Army Generals' Fine Horses.

TAMPA, FLA., June 11.—Much attention has been attracted to the fine horseridden by Generals Shafter and Wheeler ridden by Generals Shafter and Wheeler here, and General Lee at Jacksonville. General Shafter weighs over 200 pounds, so he needs a large mount. He has four in his stable. One is a large gray horse, tall and heavy about the shoulders and withers. He carries his head well and is full of fire and rhap. Another fine beast is a bay mare 15 hands high and uncommonly strong for her build. Not is gentle and has a staying gait that cavalrymen find it difficult to get away from. The third is a fine clack horse of medium size, strong and heavy, and with a long mane and tail.

It is reported that the General has a box about two feet high made for his use. He gets upon this, the borse is lid up close to it; a soldier stands on either pulls and hauls, and between them they get the stout old gentleman up to the saddle. But when once seated he is an ideal rider and one forgets his weight.

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He manages a horse with ease and grace, and can tire out most of his aides, and they are skilled riders.

General Joe Wheeler is a connolsseur in horse flesh. He has several that he rides, but the 'favorites are two fine black horsese and one light bay. They are named Chessy, Nic and Dixie. The latter is the General's favorite. General Wheeler is a spry man for one of his years, and he takes no help from his aides. When his horse is brought up he mounts with a quick movement that mounts with a quick movement that younger men might envy. He rides essily and gracefully, and even the most spirited horse soon finds that the master is astride. In his field uniform, riding along his lines of cavalry, with his campaign hat swung low over one side of White Sulphur is becoming cosmopolitan. At first the beauty and gallantry of the South were wont to gather here. A hundred years ago and more Washington and Jefferson, and all the political and social elect of Virginia and the South made their annual pilgrimages to these springs. In later years Webster, Clay, Calhoun and the great of their day came here to enjoy the waters and mountain air and play cards. There are ghosts of stories still floating about of the supposed grave and secret political conferences between the great triumvirate, when, in reality, they were loaing all

It is quite evident that one result of

the present war will be to usher in a new era of sectionalism; but it will be sectionalism of a nobler kind than we sectionalism of a noner kind than we have known in the course of our brief but stormy national history. Dewey's victory at Manila first sounded the sout. All the other States envied Vermont the honor of having the great Admiral for one of her children. Now there is the same jealousy of Alabama, since Hobara did his mighty deed of daring to the mosts. The Securish gives that the mosts of the Securish gives that the did his mighty deed of daring to the music of the Spanish guns. That the rivalry is keen may be inferred from the fact that the personnel of the fleet, most to a man, begged the previous two of being gliowed to go into the jaws of death. In this rivalry of the States to do great deeds for the country through their children there will come new vigor to this people and a novel glory to its flag. The old sectionalism sapped the vital energies of the nation, and made its politics as provincial as the proceedings of a country caucus. The new sectionalism has imparted to the thought and feeing of the of this country began and ended with the production of raw material for the

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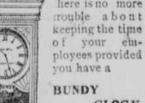
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